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Fauquier County Board of Supervisors Public Safety Committee

Meeting of March 05, 2003

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Public Safety Committee Chairman Joe Winkelmann called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

2. Introduction of Participants

Present were:

- Mr. Joe Winkelmann, Fauquier County Board of Supervisors
- Mr. Raymond Graham, Fauquier County Board of Supervisors
- The Honorable Jonathan S. Lynn, Attorney for the Commonwealth
- Chief Philip Myer, Office of Emergency Services
- First Sergeant J. Edward Murphy, Virginia Dept. of State Police
- Sheriff Joe Higgs, Jr.
- Mr. Anthony Hooper, Assistant County Administrator
- Mr. Billy Jenkins, General Services Operations Division
- Mr. Charles Shepherd, Health Department
- Mr. Randy Embrey, Marshall Volunteer Rescue Squad
- Mr. Doug Taylor, Fire and Rescue Association
- Mr. Ray Tricarico, Fire and Rescue Association
- Mr. Bill Dugan, Fauquier County Sheriff's Office
- Ms. Catherine Heritage, Public Safety Committee Lead Staff
- Mr. Thomas Pavelko, Assistant Director of Adult Court Services

3. Approval of the Minutes and Agenda

Mr. Winkelmann moved for approval of the current agenda and the minutes of January 22, 2003. Seconded: Mr. Graham. Adopted.

4. Approval of 2003 Meeting Schedule

Mr. Winkelmann moved for approval of the 2003 Public Safety Committee meeting schedule. Seconded: Mr. Graham. Adopted.



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5. Approval of New Meeting Protocols

Mr. Winkelmann moved for approval of new meeting protocols which he had submitted in advance in a letter of February 12, 2003 to the members. Seconded: Mr. Graham. Adopted.

6. Goals and Objectives Work Session

Mr. Winkelmann advised that the April 16 meeting would primarily be devoted to prioritization of goals and objectives for 2003. This meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. in the fourth floor conference room of the courts building.

7. Meeting with the Fire and Rescue Association

Mr. Winkelmann advised that he and Mr. Graham would be arranging a meeting with the new leadership of the Fire and Rescue Association and would report developments at the April 16 meeting.

8. Tri-County Detention Center

Sheriff Higgs discussed his budget analysis for a proposed Tri-County Detention Center. General discussion ensued.

9. Radio System

Mr. Winkelmann requested Mr. Hooper to prepare a budget starting with the 2002 approved dollar amount to present toward the total 15-year cost of the project by the April 16 meeting. Mr. Winkelmann requested that Mr. Hooper provide an update on the radio system by email to any member of the committee requesting such.

10. Notification for Flooding and Road Closures

In response to Supervisor McCamy's inquiry as to whether this procedure could be streamlined, Mr. Winkelmann requested that Sheriff Higgs contact the Virginia Department of Transportation, the State Police, Emergency Services, the Fire and Rescue Association and the Town of Remington, and report back on any suggestions or concerns at the April 16 meeting,.



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11. Roundtable

First Sergeant Murphy advised that State Trooper Angel Graham had been seriously injured in a traffic incident. Mr. Winkelmann requested that Ms. Heritage send Trooper Graham best wishes for recovery from the Public Safety Committee.

Mr. Winkelmann requested Chief Myer to draft a Proclamation recognizing all agencies which contributed to preparedness and rescue during the 2003 blizzard.

Sheriff Higgs indicated that his office's community policing efforts at Marsh Run had been covered by Channel 4 News. The Sheriff's Office was also recently recognized by the Virginia and National Sheriffs' Associations.

Mr. Shepherd advised that a small pox prevention plan is being refined and that there is a district wide meeting on this issue on March 07.

First Sergeant Murphy advised that the truck scales on the bypass are being widely used for enforcement.

Mr. Winkelmann requested Chief Myer to work with County Attorney Paul McCulla to draft an ordinance to recover clean-up costs for fuel oil tank leaks.

Mr. Graham indicated that the town parking lots were not in satisfactory shape after the recent snow. Mr. Jenkins volunteered to speak with Jim Weeks of the Town of Warrenton on this issue.

Mr. Graham indicated several concerns about the level of service being provided by the Cedar Run Rescue Squad. He advised the committee that he would be meeting with squad leadership this month and would present any conclusions or recommendations resulting from this meeting on April 16.

12. Adjourn

Hearing no further business, Mr. Winkelmann called for adjournment. Generally concurred.

Given under my hand this 18th day of March, 2003

Catherine M. Heritage, Director of Adult Court Services Lead Staff, Board of Supervisors Public Safety Committee